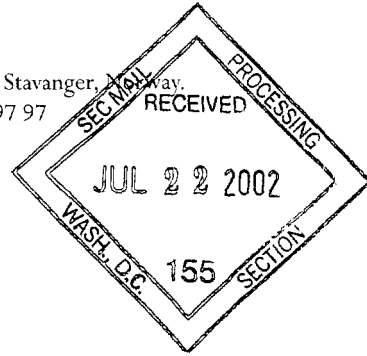




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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 205-49

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### Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15d - 16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**SMEDVIG ASA**  
For the month of June 2002

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Yes..... No.....☒.....

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### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has  
duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunder duly  
authorized.

Smedvig asa

July 2, 2002

By

*Alf C. Thorkildsen*

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Chief Financial Officer

P.E.  
6/30/02



## NEWS RELEASE

**Contact:**

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Smedvig asa

For immediate release

### **Kjell E. Jacobsen appointed new CEO in Smedvig**

Stavanger, Norway (June 18, 2002) -- Kjell E. Jacobsen is today appointed new Chief Executive Officer in Smedvig asa. Mr. Jacobsen has been acting CEO since the change in management at the end of last year.

Peter T. Smedvig, Chairman of the Board, comments: "I am very pleased with the appointment. Smedvig now has a strong management team in place".

*Smedvig asa is an offshore drilling contractor headquartered in Stavanger, Norway. The company provides drilling and well services in the North Atlantic and Southeast Asia. Smedvig's main activities are divided into mobile units, tender rigs and platform drilling. Smedvig has a fleet of four modern drilling rigs, one drillship and nine tender rigs. In addition, the company holds contracts for production drilling, well services and maintenance on fixed installations.*

This press release includes **forward-looking statements** under the Safe Harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual performance could differ materially from that anticipated in the forward-looking comments, as a result of risks, uncertainties and other factors, as set forth in the annual report on Form 20-F dated June 14, 2001. A copy of the Form 20-F is available upon request from the Company or on our web-site [www.smedvig.no](http://www.smedvig.no).

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